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In re Application of

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AMENDMENT

SIR:

Applicant(s) hereby request(s) a 2-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of September 4, 2002. A check in the amount of \$205 in payment of the government fee for a 2-month extension of time is enclosed herewith. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

This responds to the Office Action dated September 4, 2002 received in connection with the above-identified patent application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1, 5, 12 and 13 are amended as follows:

1. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition in solid form comprising bupropion hydrochloride and carboxyvinyl polymer in an effective stabilizing amount, wherein the composition is substantially free of an acidic pharmaceutical carrier as a stabilizer.

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